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## CHECK LIST OF REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS OF THE CHICAGO REGION

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"What reptiles are found around Chicago?" has been a frequent query at the Academy, not only from Boy Scout merit badge aspirants, but from individuals interested in reptiles as a hobby, who have been meeting at the Academy monthly for some time. Our more extensive list giving specific locality records and local problems in herpetology<sup>1</sup> is not available in quantities, so that it has been found desirable to print this check list to serve as a guide to further study by those interested.

The staff of the Academy is glad to identify any specimens brought in and to suggest reading and give other information to amateur naturalists.

### A M P H I B I A CAUDATA—SALAMANDERS

*Necturus maculosus maculosus* (Rafinesque). Mud puppy,  
Water Lizard.

*Triturus viridescens louisianensis* (Wolterstorff). Newt.

*Ambystoma jeffersonianum* (Green). Jefferson Salamander.

*Ambystoma maculatum* (Shaw). Spotted Salamander.

*Ambystoma opacum* (Gravenhorst) . Opaque Salamander.

*Ambystoma tigrinum tigrinum* (Green). Tiger Salamander.

*Hemidactylium scutatum* (Schlegel). Four-toed Salamander.

*Plethodon cinereus* (Green). Red-backed Salamander.

*Eurycea bislineata bislineata* (Green). Two-lined Salamander.

*Siren lacertina* Linnaeus. Siren.

<sup>1</sup> Amphibians and Reptiles of the Chicago Region. By Karl P. Schmidt and Walter L. Necker, Bulletin of the Chicago Academy of Sciences, vol. 5, no. 4.

## SALIENTIA-FROGS AND TOADS

- Bufo americanus americanus* Holbrook. American Toad.  
*Bufo woodhousii fowleri* Hinckley. Fowler's Toad.  
*Acris crepitans* Baird. Cricket Frog.  
*Pseudacris triseriata* (Maximilian). Swamp Tree Frog.  
*Hyla crucifer* Maximilian. Spring Peeper.  
*Hyla versicolor versicolor* LeConte. Tree Toad.  
*Rana cantabrigensis cantabrigensis* (Baird). Wood Frog.  
*Rana catesbeiana* Shaw. Bull Frog.  
*Rana clamitans* Latreille. Green Frog, Cow Frog.  
*Rana palustris* LeConte. Pickerel Frog.  
*Rana pipiens* Schreber. Leopard Frog.

## REPTILIA

### SAURIA-LIZARDS

- Ophisaurus ventralis* (Linnaeus). Glass "Snake".  
*Cnemidophorus sexlineatus* (Linnaeus). Six-lined Swift.  
*Eumeces fasciatus* (Linnaeus) . Five-lined Skink, Blue-tailed Skink,  
Red-headed Skink.

### SERPENTES-SNAKES

- Heterodon contortrix* (Linnaeus) . Hog-nosed snake. Puff Adder.  
*Ophedrys vernalis* (Harlan). Grass snake, Green snake.  
*Coluber constrictor flaviventris* Say. Blue Racer.  
*Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta* (Say). Pilot Black Snake.  
*Elaphe vulpina* (Baird and Girard). Fox Snake, Spotted Adder.  
*Pituophis sayi sayi* (Schlegel). Bull Snake.  
*Lampropeltis t. triangulum* (Lacepede). Milk Snake.  
*Natrix grahamii* (Baird and Girard). Graham's Water Snake.  
*Natrix kirtlandii* (Kennicott). Kirtland's Water Snake.  
*Natrix septemvittata* (Say). Queen Snake. Leather Snake.  
*Natrix sipedon sipedon* (Linnaeus) . Common Water Snake.  
*Storeria dekapi* (Holbrook). DeKay's Snake.

*Storeria occipito-maculata* (Storer). Red-bellied Snake.  
*Thamnophis butleri* (Cope). Butler's Garter Snake.  
*Thamnophis radix* (Baird and Girard). Plains Garter Snake.  
*Thamnophis sauritus proximus* (Say). Ribbon Snake.  
*Thamnophis sirtalis sirtalis* (Linnaeus). Common Garter Snake.  
*Sistrurus catenatus catenatus* (Rafinesque). Massasauga.

#### TESTUDINATA-TURTLES

*Sternotherus odoratus* (Latreille). Musk Turtle, Stink-pot.  
*Chelydra serpentina* (Linnaeus). Snapping Turtle.  
*Clemmys guttata* (Schneider). Spotted Turtle.  
*Emys blandingii* (Holbrook). Blanding Turtle.  
*Terrapene carolina* (Linnaeus). Box Turtle.  
*Terrapene ornata* (Agassiz). Ornate Box Turtle.  
*Graptemys geographica* (LeSueur). Geographic Turtle.  
*Chrysemys picta marginata* Agassiz. Painted Turtle.  
*Pseudemys troostii* (Holbrook). Cumberland Terrapin.  
*Amyda spinifera* (LeSueur). Soft-shelled Turtle, Leatherback.

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